

## Message Text

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ACTION EB-08

INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 IO-13 ISO-00 CEA-01 CIAE-00 COME-00  
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R 131546Z APR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY BOGOTA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7455  
INFO USDA/FAS WASHDC  
USMISSION GENEVA

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GENEVA FOR MTN

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ETRD, GATT, MTN, CO  
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR REMOVAL OF NTB TO U.S. EXPORTS

REF: STATE 089948

1. IN OCTOBER 1976 THE GOC MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUED  
INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF FOOD PRODUCTS AND LIQUORS.  
COPY OF REG. PLUS TRANSLATION SUBMITTED TO USDA/FAS UNDER  
CO-7003 OF 1/17

2. UNDER GOC REGULATION IMPORTERS OF PROCESSED FOOD PRODUCTS  
HAVE TO SUBMIT EXTENSIVE INFORMATION, INCLUDING A TWO-PAGE  
DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCTION PROCESS, SIGNED BY THE PRODUC-  
TION TECHNICIAN , INFORMATION USUALLY CONSIDERED A TRADE SECRET.  
THE REQUIREMENT HAS PREVENTED IMPORTS OF AMERICAN PROCESSED  
TURKEY PRODUCTS IN WHICH SEVERAL COLOMBIAN COMPANIES ARE  
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INTERESTED.

3. ON APRIL 5-6 AGATT HELD FOOD PRODUCT EXHIBIT AT  
BOGOTA HILTON HOTEL. COLOMBIAN RESPONSE TO US  
PROCESSED FOODS WAS HIGH WITH OVER 1,000 PEOPLE  
ATTENDING EXHIBIT. MANY COLOMBIAN FIRMS EXPRESSED  
INTEREST IN IMPORTING PRODUCTS AS A RESULT OF EXHIBIT

BUT CAN BE PREVENTED FROM DOING SO AS IN CASE OF  
PROCESSED TURKEY PRODUCTS, DUE TO GOC REQUIREMENT.

4. SINCE MANY OF THE ITEMS ON THE U.S. INDICATIVE  
LIST ARE PROCESSED FOODS, THIS REQUIREMENT, WHICH  
COULD BECOME SERIOUS NTB, SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR  
INCLUSION ON THE U.S. INDICATIVE LIST FOR COLOMBIA.

5. COPY OF SUBJECT GOC FOOD PRODUCT REGISTRATION  
REQUIREMENT BEING SENT TO U.S. DEL. MTN GENEVA UNDER  
SEPARATE COVER.  
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